

TWO STEAMERS LOST.

THE "HAIHONG."

A telegram was received at the office of Messrs Douglas, Laprak & Co. this morning from the agent in Yokohama as follows:—

"The *Haiphong* is ashore at Shimoda, and is full of water; will telegraph further particulars later."

The *Haiphong* left here on the 13th inst. for Tokyo, where she loaded a full cargo of sugar for Yokohama. Shimoda is a promontory of the eastern extremity of the Izu Peninsula, which juts out south-west of the entrance to the Gulf of Tokyo, where Yokohama lies. Rock Island light is not far from Shimoda, and there must have been a thick fog at the time, unless the ship was navigated absolutely without anybody on deck.

The telegram leaves it to be implied that no life was lost, and as of course the vessel was fully insured, the disaster is not so bad as it might have been. None of the cargo can be saved, and as apparently the vessel is in a perfectly open place, on a rocky shore exposed to the full force of the Pacific swell, there seems to be some danger that she will be a total wreck. The officers of the *Haiphong*, as far as can be gathered, were—Capt. W. Y. Y. Y., chief officer L. R. James, and engineer J. D. Edwards, and A. F. Edwards. The vessel was about six years old, and was well found in every respect.

THE "HINSHINGO."

Telegraphic information was received this morning stating that the China Merchants' steamship *Hinshingo* is very badly ashore near Chiefo, and expected to become a total wreck.

Information is very meagre as to this vessel, as we regret to say is customary in all matters connected with the great China Merchants' Co. The *Hinshingo* is quite a new boat, and it is only about two months since a full description of her was published on her arrival from home. She would apparently be on or about her usual run, and it would seem that the fog season in the Gulf of Pechili is not yet closed.

We do not remember any *Hsin-ching* two new ships came out lately, the *Hsin-ching* and *Hsin-fung*; the latter, which is the newest of the fleet, is commanded by Capt. Warwick, and is of 1,600 tons burden.

The agents here, of course, say they know nothing about it.

MERCANTILE MARINE AFFAIRS.

HEARTY RECEPTION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE MARINE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION.

Yesterday morning, the 27th instant, a deputation of members of the British Mercantile Marine Officers' Association and the kindred Liverpool Association waited upon Captain Samuel Ashlin, the President of the local Society, on board the steamship *Namoa*, upon the occasion of his return to Hongkong after an absence of six months owing to serious indisposition, as previously reported in these columns. The deputation, which was headed by Mr. G. B. Eldridge, the chief officer of the *Namoa*, consisted of officers from four of the coasting steamship companies, some honorary members of the Association, who were met on the quarter-deck of the *Namoa* by the ship's company and escorted aft to their able and indefatigable President, who looked just as 'fit as a fiddle,' and met them in his usual hearty manner.

Mr. Eldridge, in presenting the deputation, said—Sir, we have called on you to-day to offer you our warmest congratulations upon your restoration to health, which has resulted in your return to this port—the former scene of your meritorious labours on behalf of British certificated mariners—after a somewhat protracted absence. We are indeed glad to once more see you in our midst in this busy season. We avail ourselves of this opportunity to show you the draft of our scheme for the prevention of piratical outrages on board ships leaving the waters of this colony, as also a draft letter to be forwarded to the local insurance offices relating to the necessity for the majority of coasting steamers carrying three certificated officers and maintaining a system of three "watches" at sea. We also take the liberty to hand you a copy of the "Keene" petition, which we desire to forward to the Government at an early date. We trust our labours during your absence will meet with approval by you and that the questions at issue will soon be solved in a manner agreeable to all parties. You may have heard, Sir, that our second annual meeting will take place on Wednesday evening next and we are, I assure you, rejoiced to think that you will be able to be present on that occasion (loud applause). We shall esteem it a favour if you let us know later on what you think of our work, as we desire to be guided by your advice on the important questions at issue. I again tender our respectful congratulations, and beg to say that we consider we are greatly indebted to you—for your labours—for the complimentary remarks about our Association at the recent annual meeting of the Liverpool Society which were—"The Hongkong Association of Masters and Officers having, in the most praiseworthy and energetic manner, promoted and piloted through the Colonial Legislature a Bill to regulate and limit Sunday labour in that colony (for which the then Governor, Sir William Des Voeux, has been heavily censured by the Hongkong and the British Association), the satisfaction of that legislation was necessary by the Home Government, and, as an attempt was being made to undo the good work, your Council made an urgent representation to the Colonial Office in its favour, and it was most gratifying to report that not only has the Hongkong Act been confirmed, but other colonies and India have been moved to adopt similar legislation." You are welcome to Hongkong, very welcome. (Renewed applause.)

In reply Captain Ashlin said—I thank you, gentlemen, for the great compliment you have paid me in coming off to see me in such numbers to-day. I am delighted to meet you again and to be able to state that the long rest I have had has invigorated me (hear! hear). I am now in very fair health and as ready, able and willing to push forward your interests—the interests of our important profession—as of yore. (Loud and long continued applause.) I counted it an honour to be chosen as your President and I shall, I assure you, always continue to fill that important post as efficiently as possible. (renewed applause). I'm not at all sure that I shall go home, but if I do, I sincerely hope my place will be filled by one who will take an equal interest in your welfare. (hear! hear). You may be assured that should I go home I will further your interests there, or wherever I may be. I again thank you for the complimentary paid me. I highly appreciate it as a token that I have earned and gained your esteem. What you've done in my absence I know something of, as the Secretary has forwarded information to me from time to time. I am glad to see you can get along so well in my absence—it is a great credit to you. Now, I must not anticipate what I have to say at the annual meeting, so must content myself with saying, with your approval, call for some refreshment, of which I am sure you must be in need in such hot weather. (Applause.)

The flowing bowl was then brought along and the toast—"Our President: Long may he live to reign over us"—duly honoured, after which the deputation withdrew.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

PARIS, May 30th.

Baron Hirsch is seriously ill in this city, with influenza and congestion of the lungs. The gravest fears are expressed as to the result of his illness. The death of Baron Hirsch would have a serious effect upon his great enterprises, including the relief of the Russian Jews by their settlement in other countries.

It is said that Baron Hirsch has devoted himself to this supreme object of his life with such earnestness as to greatly weaken his physical strength, and that this has had much to do in bringing about his illness. The Baron has been much disappointed by the comparative failure of his attempt to establish an Argentine colony of Jews, and also by the unfavorable reception of indigent Hebrews in the United States.

The serious illness of the Baron raises the question whether his horse Lafféche, whose winnings are given chiefly to charity, will run in the Derby on Wednesday, for which the horse is a favorite. Should he die, the entry would presumably be canceled. Late tonight it was thought that the Baron had slightly improved, though he is not yet out of danger.

A boiler in Darcley's Mills, at Corbell, exploded this morning, killing four employees, wounding thirty and destroying the mill.

The explosion occurred in a four-story building containing 10,000 sacks of wheat. Nothing exact is known as to the cause of the explosion. The loss amounts to several million francs.

BERLIN, May 30th.

When the socialist writer Peiss was being taken to jail at Ploetzensee Sunday a crowd of 400 socialists raised a row. The police charged with drawn swords. A slight resistance was made, but after the rioters saw several of their number cut down they scattered. A number of those struck by the police were quite seriously injured.

BELFAST, May 30th.

The *Telegraph* publishes the promised plan of resistance to the proposed extension of the Irish Land Act. The article is written by a prominent Irish Unionist. It says the men of Ulster will not allow elections to occur. The election writ will be publicly burned by the sheriffs of the counties and the Mayor of Belfast immediately after they are received. Judges and magistrates taking commissions from the new executive will not be recognized. The police will be reorganized, with special constables sworn to replace the regular police. The Queen's taxes will be paid but the taxes levied by the Dublin Parliament will not be paid. The Custom-house will be seized and held until the question is settled. Continuing the article says: "In the event of war the North will be in a better position, both as regards credit and geographical position, than the South. Belfast is unassailable, while Dublin is open to direct and immediate attack."

LONDON, May 31st.

A policeman to-day discovered a gang of men acting suspiciously in the neighborhood of the London and North Western railway station. When the police approached the men threw something away and made off. Upon investigation the policeman discovered four powerful dynamite cartridges with fuses attached. It is supposed that an attempt was being made to blow up the station.

The *Chronicle's* St. Petersburg special says: It is reported that strenuous efforts are being made to bring about a *modus vivendi* between Germany and Russia. The latter is said to be willing to reduce the duties on German manufactures, provided Germany will guarantee not to attack Russia. Russia is anxious for peace in order to repair the ravages of the famine and better her financial condition.

Sir Francis Burdett died to-day. He was a cousin of the Baroness Burdett Coutts.

The Epson Summer Meeting opened to-day, the principal event on the programme being the London and North Western race for two-year-olds, six furlongs. The race resulted in a dead heat between Baron de Rothschild's colt Nizam and Colonel North's colt Quickly Wise.

ROME, May 31st.

A young Italian has recently perfected an invention which will prove of immense value in warfare. It consists of a species of candle, which produces a most intense light. The candle is intended to be projected from a cannon and to strike the enemy's works or the country where the enemy are gathered. On striking the candle breaks and the substance contained in it taking fire, produces a light estimated at an intensity of 100,000 candles, which illuminates the field a great distance.

Successful experiments have been made at Spezia with a submarine boat, the invention of Pulino, a naval inspector.

LONDON, June 1st.

There is a diplomatic question up between England and Great Britain. The latter exercises a protectorate over Uganda. A conflict arose between the Protestants and Catholics there, and it is alleged, the French citizens were treated with great cruelty. The matter came up in both the House of Commons and the French Chamber of Deputies, from which it appears that France protested against this and Great Britain replied that she would investigate the charges. France is also investigating.

With the accession to the title of Duke of York Prince George of Wales is again brought into prominence as a matrimonial candidate.

It was confidently expected by many who profess to know the ins and outs of Court life that the Queen's birthday honors, which gave the dukedom to the heir presumptive, would contain also the announcement that the title of Royal Highness had been conferred upon Princess Mary Victoria of Teck. The omission of Princess Mary's name from the list of birthday honors is therefore regarded by the holders of Court secrets as a sign of the Queen's displeasure at the energetically circulated rumor of the forthcoming betrothal of the Duke of York and Princess Mary.

It is said that in this manner the Queen has put the royal negative upon this much discussed and important question.

PARIS, June 1st.

The coal miners' strike is ended. The mine-owners agree to make a reduction of only 10 per cent in wages.

any intention of going to war if war can be avoided. The German Emperor undoubtedly has le gout de parade.—He would like to make a great show in the world and he thinks it would be a magnificent thing for him were he able to crush France. But William II told himself that neither country could be certain of victory, and that for the country beaten it would mean complete, irrevocable ruin."

NEW YORK, June 1st.

Correspondence to the *Herald* from Georgetown, British Guiana, says: There is great excitement here. The Government, in order to raise the revenue to meet the deficit caused by the McKinley tariff, and to defray the expenses increased by the military protection to the colony, caused by alarmist views as to the Venezuelan boundary question, have passed gold mining laws which are seriously hampering that industry. Most mercantile houses, are depending on the gold industry, and a financial crisis is imminent.

Arthur Lumley has cabled the editor of the *London Sportsman* to notify "Parson" Davies that the Coney Island Club will give a \$10,000 purse for a twenty-round bout between Peter Jackson and Goddard, if the latter defeats McAuliffe in the fight before the California Athletic Club on June 3rd.

MONTREAL, June 1st.

A London special to the *Star* says Great Britain's acceptance of Sir John Thompson as British arbitrator in connection with the Behring sea arbitration gives general satisfaction. An eminent jurist will be chosen as the other British arbitrator.

VIENNA, June 1st.

A mail train running from Agram to Brod was struck by a cyclone to-day. Two of the carriages composing the train were lifted bodily into the air and hurled down an embankment, causing great consternation among the passengers. Twenty persons were badly injured, some fatally.

DUBLIN, June 1st.

At a meeting held to-day in the town of Navan, county Meath, to select candidates to oppose the Parnellites in the coming election, Michael Davitt was chosen to contest North Meath. A large crowd of Parnellites gathered at the place where the meeting was held, and when the proceedings terminated followed the visitors, nationalists to the railroad station. There a collision took place between the two forces and a bloody struggle ensued, the combatants fighting savagely for some time. Davitt received a severe wound on the head, which bled freely.

NOTES FROM CHINESE PAPERS.

The Kashing Hien has offered the unusually heavy reward of one thousand dollars to any one who may bring about the capture of two important criminals who effected their escape some time ago while they were being conveyed back to that city from Hongchow.

Pien, Governor-General of Chikiang and Fukien, who some time ago obtained leave of absence from his duties, has applied for re-employment from active service on the ground of ill-health. His application has been granted by the Throne, and the post thus left vacant is open to appointment.

On the 16th June a terrible explosion occurred in the Nanking powder mill, and destroyed a part of the factory. One man was blown to atoms. Fortunately the region where the mill is situated is only sparsely populated or the catastrophe would have been attended with most disastrous results.

Mr. Li, a prefect at Hankow, has by his indefatigable zeal and vigilance, captured within the last month three *Kolah* Hien members. The conduct on the part of the Prefect in hunting out members of this society has won him much praise, and it is rumored that he will shortly be promoted to the rank of a Taoist, as a reward for his services.

A fire broke out in the military camp stationed on the celebrated "Yu Wha Tai" just beyond the south gate of Nanking on the 10th June. It is not known how the fire originated. As the greater portion of the soldiers were out fighting the locusts at the time, the cause of the fire remained long beyond the control of the few remaining men and soon reduced the camp to ashes.

His Excellency Kuei having returned from the Huitchow district where he has been acting as Superintendent of the Nanking Naval College. It will be remembered that the institution owes its establishment greatly to the energy of his Excellency who was the first Commissioner. It was due to his efforts and the valuable assistance of Mr. Sien that within six months the extensive buildings were completed and the school became what it is.

The sale of Manila lottery tickets in the interior has lately so increased that the authorities have adopted measures designed to suppress it, and the Chinese Hien magistrate has issued a proclamation, prohibiting the sale of the tickets. In the proclamation he cites the various high authorities who are opposed to the traffic and have from time to time been trying to suppress it. The proclamation goes on to enumerate the different penalties which will be the parties hereto engaged in the demoralizing trade, which is worse than gambling.

Tientsin and vicinity lately been infested with a band of unscrupulous criminals, who neither robbers nor thieves, according to the penal code, but a mixture of the two, who are playing a neat game of blackmail upon the people. Their practice is to go to houses, and demand from the master, whom they hail by name, sums of money which they call a loan. In order to make people yield more readily to their demands, a knife or revolver is often kept in view. With little intimidation the highway men generally succeed in getting from their victims the so-called "loan."

On the 2nd instant while the *Changon* was coming down the Yangtze river, she came into collision near Taiping Kiao with a native boat carrying 30 passengers and a large number of ducks, with the result that the boat was cut in two and its occupants thrown into the water. The screams of the people mingled with the quacking of the ducks created quite a disturbance in the midnight air and caused an alarm. The Chinese gun-boats hearing the clamour, fired off their guns and started for the spot from which the noise proceeded and a vast swarm of ducks and several men struggling in the water. On seeing the smoke of the *Changon* the cause of the commotion was soon realized; the majority of the ducks were secured but three persons were found to be missing, and their bodies were not recovered until the following day, having been carried down the stream some distance. The night being dark and the shock caused by the collision, the natives, who did not overtake it and only thought that they had run into a swarm of ducks and consequently no boats were lowered to rescue the people in the water. The ducks were intended for the districts infested with the locust pest, where they were to be lavished to feed on the vermin.

TSINGLINGAN P.U.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT).

June 13th, 1892.

There is no danger of a famine in this section as far as the wheat crop goes. It is just now being harvested and is good, though not so plentiful as the country people will acknowledge it, because soon they will have to pay the taxes, and the tax collectors (*tsu yamen* "squeezers") will use what they have said against them. Notwithstanding the fields may be laden with a golden harvest the country people are shrewd enough to say that it is only a "fairy crop" and "will pass."

Strange how customs and ideas fasten on to these people as with an iron grip, which not even the dissolving action of time can run away. The ubiquitous peasants cannot be had, because at this time of the year it is not the custom to eat them. When the cucumber comes in the peasant must go out, for to eat them both means sure death to a Chinaman. What models, we say, for the protection of the public health in actually suppressing an article of trade—and yet look at the corpse-pools and sink-holes in the public streets! This idea, so strong in this region, prevails also, it is said, in Hangchow.

The number of official heads taken off (metaphorically) by the Viceroy on his recent visit, for neglect, etc., makes it all the more pleasant to note one official who seems to be active in the discharge of his duty. The Hien city of Auting not far from here is well lighted up and defunct from a business standpoint, but the official mentioned above is active enough. He is down on opium and gambling dens, and ordered them to be closed and showed that he meant it by rattling the streets in person after dark to see that his orders were carried out. So strict were his rules that, after a certain hour, all lights were to be put out. One night while on his rounds the guardian of the peace saw a light through a half-open door, and rather unceremoniously entered to see what was up. There was no gambling, no opium smoking, only the arrival of the youngest member of the family. The father, naturally, resented the intrusion at such a time and not recognizing his visitor, seized a stick and began to lay it on in good earnest. The official begged the man to desist, assuring him that he was not a thief, but a lettered gentleman and of course his motive could not but be good. He asked for pen and paper, and writing a few characters, gave it to the father, telling him to call at a certain money shop and he would receive fifteen strings of cash on presentation of this slip. After saying the child's birth was auspicious and lucky, he departed. Next day the father, unable to read, took his slip of paper to a teacher living near by and asked what was written on it. The teacher scanned it closely and said that it was an order to give the bearer 100 blows with the bamboo, besides ordering him with the wooden collar. The poor man stood aghast, and quickly returned home leaving the teacher the happy possessor of the slip of paper. A few days later the slip of paper not having been sent to the money shop for collection, the Hien sent to the money shop to enquire about it, but getting no clue he had the father hunted up and brought before him. He then enquired of him if on a certain night a man had not entered his home, and upon being attacked by him given him a slip of paper for fifteen strings of cash. The father replied that it was so, and then told what the teacher had said, and how he had left the slip with him. Very soon the teacher and the missing slip were brought to light, and the father had recognized him. The Hien handed the teacher the slip and bade him read it. The teacher read straight through, fifteen strings of cash, but the Hien corrected him and taking the slip, read that the bearer must receive 100 blows with the bamboo and wear the wooden collar. The teacher thus caught in his own trap had to accept 100 blows, but was spared the collar, while the poor ignorant man was sent off smiling with the fifteen strings of cash.

The weather has been dry for many days and the officials have shut down on the butchers to propitiate the gods. The stagnant pools for washing rice are fast drying up and the weather is most favorable for hatching out the locusts.—*N. C. Daily News.*

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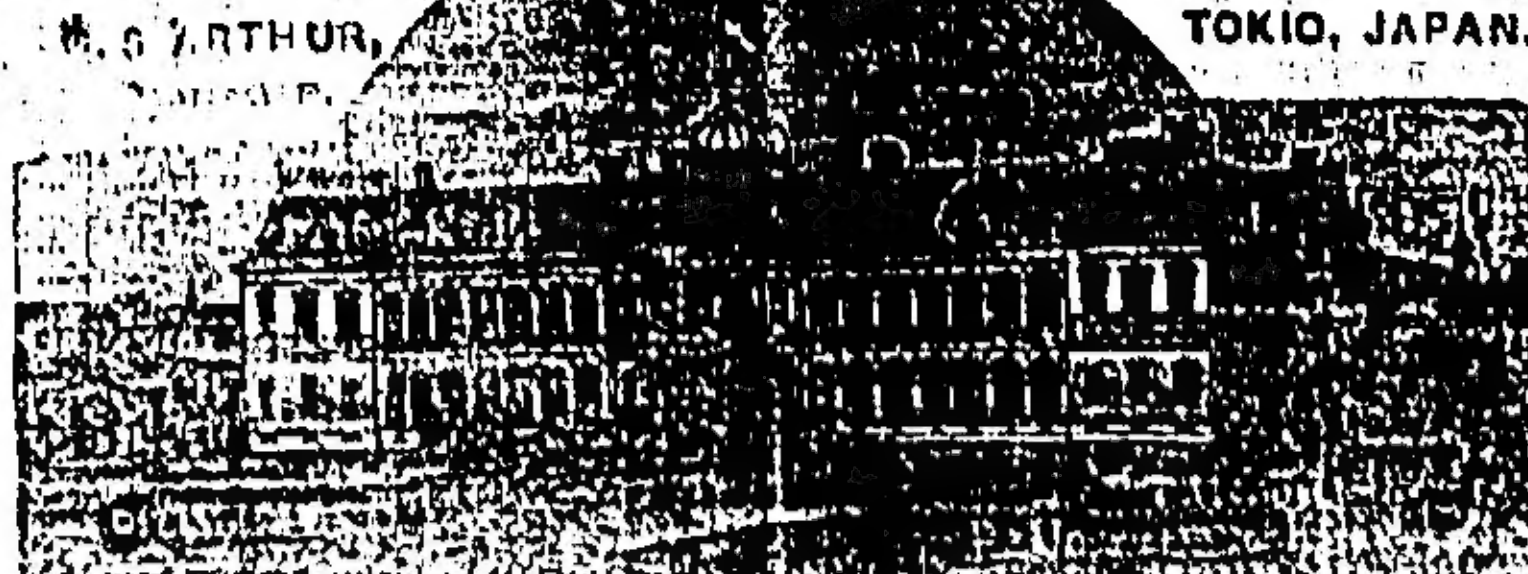
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